

	INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SERVICES TITLE IV-D POLICY MANUAL	
	Chapter 4: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Cases	Effective Date: 6/23/15
	Section 9: When the Custodial Party Is No Longer Receiving TANF	Version: 1 Revision Date: 6/16/15

BACKGROUND

N/A

POLICY

The Division of Family Resources (DFR) notifies the Title IV-D Prosecutor via the IV-A/IV-D interface when the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) recipient is no longer receiving a TANF grant. DFR sends a notice to the former recipient notifying the individual that Title IV-D services will continue.¹ The Title IV-D case remains open and the Title IV-D Prosecutor remains responsible for the child support case unless the case closes under one of the federal case closure reasons.²

REFERENCES

- [CSB-AT-421](#): IV-D Services Opt Out
- [42 U.S.C. § 654](#): State plan for child and spousal support
- [45 C.F.R. § 302.33](#): Services to individuals not receiving title IV-A assistance.

PROCEDURE

When a family's TANF assistance is discontinued, the local DFR notifies the Title IV-D Prosecutor via the IV-A/IV-D interface. The statewide child support system will automatically change the case type to non-public assistance to reflect the termination. The Title IV-D Prosecutor shall continue the child support enforcement services unless the custodial party sends a written request to terminate enforcement services.

If the custodial party is no longer receiving TANF, the custodial party may sign and submit a request to close the Title IV-D case. If there is an arrearage owed to the state due to the TANF case, the Title IV-D Prosecutor will create two cases. One case will be non-IV-D for the current support and arrearage owed to the custodial party. The second case will be for the arrearage owed to the state. The Title IV-D Prosecutor is only responsible for enforcing the case with the arrearage owed to the state.³

FORMS AND TOOLS

¹ 42 U.S.C. § 654(25); 45 C.F.R. § 302.33(a)(4)

² See Chapter 17: Case Closure for more information

³ CSB-AT-421

1. [Splitting ISETS Cases Smart Guide](#)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Q. May a non-parent custodial party, who is no longer receiving TANF, close the case against one non-custodial parent but leave the case against another non-custodial parent open?
 - A. The Title IV-D Prosecutor cannot require a custodial party to keep a case open against a non-custodial parent when there is not a current assignment of support to the state.

RELATED INFORMATION

N/A